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FM AMEMBASSY ATHENS  
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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: POLITICAL ARRESTS,  
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REF: A. STATE-101871; B. ATHENS-3285

1. IN RESPONSE TO INTEREST EXPRESSED BY SENATORS JAVITS AND BUCKLEY, APPROPRIATE ELEMENTS OF EMBASSY HAVE ATTEMPTED DEVELOP INFORMATION REQUESTED PARA THREE REFTEL A. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, GREEK AUTHORITIES PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE TO APPROACHES BY FOREIGN MISSIONS FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ARRESTS GREEK NATIONALS, BELIEVING SUCH MATTERS COMPRISE INTERNAL DOMESTIC CONCERNS OF GREECE.

2. OF SEVEN PERSONS REPORTEDLY ARRESTED, EMBASSY HAS BEEN ABLE OBTAIN ONLY INFORMATION RELATING TO SPYROS KAVOUNIDES (SEE ALSO EMBASSY OM DTD MARCH 29, 1974 TO DEPARTMENT/SCS). IT APPEARS KAVOUNIDES HAS BEEN HELD SINCE MARCH 27 BY SECURITY POLICE UNIT OF GENDARMERIE IN SUBURBS OF ATHENS. AS OF MAY 28, HIS INTERROGATION HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND FILE REPORTEDLY FORWARDED TO RAPPORTEUR OF ATHENS SPECIAL COURT MARTIAL FOR PROCESSING. NO TRIAL DATE OR OFFICIAL CHARGES SPECIFIED AS OF THAT TIME.

3. IT APPEARS KAVOUNIDES ORIGINALLY ARRESTED AND STILL  
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HELD DUE TO ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT IN BOMB EXPLOSIONS WHICH

OCCURRED AT AMERICAN-OWNED DOW CHEMICAL PLANT FEBRUARY 23  
THIS YEAR WHICH RESULTED IN MATERIAL DAMAGE TO PLANT  
AND DEATHS TO TWO GREEK ORDNANCE SPECIALISTS. (SEE ATHENS-  
1160 AND 1179). IT POSSIBLE THAT OTHER SIX PERSONS  
ARRESTED ALSO WITH KAVOUNIDES ALSO SUSPECTED OF IMPLICATION  
SAME INCIDENT. NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE INDICATING  
HARASSMENT OF CPI ORGANIZATION EXCEPT IN CONTEXT SUBJECT  
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